

Farm Facts For South Carolina

THIS ISSUE'S HIGHLIGHTS

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EGG PRODUCTION

SOUTH CAROLINA'S laying flocks produced 98 million eggs during March, up 1 percent from a year ago. Production totaled 75 million table eggs and 23 million hatching eggs. The number of layers averaged 4,429,000 birds, which was up less than 1 percent from 4,417,000 a year ago. March egg production per 100 layers was 2,213 eggs, compared with 2,196 in 2010.

UNITED STATES egg production totaled 7.83 billion during March 2011, down slightly from last year. Production included 6.75 billion table eggs, and 1.08 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.01 billion were broiler-type and 73 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during March 2011 averaged 340 million, down 1 percent from last year. March egg production per 100 layers was 2,302 eggs, up slightly from March 2010.

**Average Layers and Egg Production
Selected States, and U.S., March, 2011**

Selected States	Average No. of Layers	Eggs Produced	Eggs per 100 Layers
	Thousand	Million	Number
Alabama	9,777	184	1,882
Florida	9,468	220	2,324
Georgia	17,178	379	2,206
North Carolina	13,310	270	2,029
South Carolina	4,429	98	2,213
United States	340,377	7,834	2,302

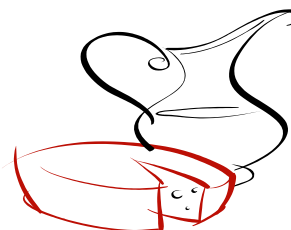
BROILER HATCHERY PRODUCTION

During the month of March, SOUTH CAROLINA'S broiler hatcheries produced 19.6 million chicks, down 4 percent from the 20.4 million hatched in March 2010.

The UNITED STATES broiler-type chicks hatched during March 2011 totaled 794 million, up 1 percent from March 2010. Eggs in incubators totaled 650 million on April 1, 2011, up 1 percent from a year earlier.

**CHICKS HATCHED by Type
South Carolina and U.S., March 2011**

Flock Type and Area	March 2011	Jan-March 2011
	Thousand	
Broiler Type:		
SOUTH CAROLINA	19,645	57,429
United States	793,957	2,283,804
Egg Type:		
United States	43,974	122,676



DAIRY PRODUCTION

Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 916 million pounds, 2.4 percent above March 2010 and 13.4 percent above February 2011.

Italian type cheese production totaled 400 million pounds, 5.1 percent above March 2010 and 14.0 percent above February 2011.

American type cheese production totaled 365 million pounds, 0.3 percent above March 2010 but 11.0 percent above February 2011.

Butter production was 157 million pounds, 12.4 percent above March 2010 and 4.8 percent above February 2011.

Dry Milk Powders: comparisons with March 2010) Nonfat dry milk, human --- 126 million pounds, down 8.9 percent.

Skim milk powders --- 42.0 million pounds, up 51.3 percent.

Whey products: (comparisons with March 2010)

Dry whey, total -- 85.3 million pounds, down 7.8 percent. Lactose, human and animal -- 84.9 million pounds, up 11.3 percent.

Whey protein concentrate, total -- 37.2 million pounds, down 1.4 percent.

Frozen products: (comparisons with March 2010)

Ice cream, Regular (hard) -- 74.7 million gallons, down 5.7 percent.

Ice cream, Lowfat (total) -- 35.9 million gallons, up 1.5 percent. Sherbet (hard) -- 4.46 million gallons, down 10.8 percent. Frozen Yogurt (total) --- 6.55 million gallons, up 35.6 percent.

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION: Selected States and United States, March 2010-2011

Selected States	Mar 2010	Feb 2011	Mar 2011	March 2011 as % of 2010
	million pounds			percent
Florida	10.2	8.8	10.1	100
Georgia	10.6	10.7	10.9	103
Iowa	623.6	516.5	600.1	96
North Carolina	221.0	196.7	219.4	99
South Carolina ...	21.9	20.2	21.6	99
Tennessee	21.6	17.2	19.9	92
United States	4,281.1	3,811.3	4,347.0	102

(Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton. Totals and percentages based on unrounded data)

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION: United States, March 2010-2011 1/

Class	Mar 2010	Feb 2011	Mar 2011	Mar 2011 % of	
				Mar 2010	Feb 2011
	Million Pounds			Percent	
Beef	2,211.2	2,021.2	2,266.3	102	112
Veal	12.2	10.5	12.1	99	115
Pork	2,040.1	1,768.7	2,054.6	101	116
Lamb & Mutton	17.7	10.9	14.1	80	129
Total Red Meat	4,281.1	3,811.3	4,347.0	102	114

(Totals, accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data)

POULTRY SLAUGHTER

The Preliminary total live weight of poultry inspected during March 2011 was 5.11 billion pounds, up 4 percent from 4.92 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 4.39 billion pounds, up 4 percent from March 2010.

Mature chickens, at 72.9 million pounds, were up 5 percent from the previous year. Young chickens slaughtered during March 2011 averaged 5.75 pounds per bird, up 2 percent from March 2010.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight, Pounds Certified, Post-Mortem Condemnations, Selected States and United States, March 2011

Selected States	Number Slaughtered	Live Weight	Average Live Weight	Total Chilled and Frozen Pounds Certified 1/	Post-Mortem Condemnations	
					Carcass and Parts	Percent 2/
	Thou.	Thou. Lbs	Pounds	Thou. Lbs	Percent	
Alabama	95,717	537,009	5.61	402,595	3,016	0.74
Georgia	108,532	585,048	5.39	444,169	3,735	0.83
North Carolina	62,667	443,491	7.08	347,634	3,946	1.12
South Carolina	26,133	181,006	6.93	135,914	973	0.71
United States	763,533	4,393,165	5.75	3,306,831	28,227	0.85

1/ Ready-to-cook weights. 2/ Pounds condemned as percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.

MILK PRODUCTION

MILK COWS AND PRODUCTION of Milk and Milkfat: Selected States and United States, 2011

Selected States	Number Of Milk Cows 2/	Production of Milk and Milkfat 3/						
		Per Milk Cows		Percent of Fat			Total	
		Milk	Milkfat	Fluid Grade	Manuf. Grade	All Milk	Milk	Milkfat
	1,000 Hd	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)
California	1,754.0	23,025	843	3.64	4.12	3.66	40,385.0	1,478.1
Florida	114.0	18,658	672	3.60		3.60	2,127.0	76.6
Georgia	78.0	17,885	655	3.66		3.66	1,395.0	51.1
North Carolina	44.0	19,591	727	3.71		3.71	862.0	32.0
South Carolina	16.0	17,875	702	3.93		3.93	286.0	11.2
Wisconsin	1,262.0	20,630	753	3.65	3.77	3.65	26,035.0	950.3
United States	9,117.0	21,149	774	3.65	4.00	3.66	192,819.0	7,052.4

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

U. S. PEANUT STOCKS

Peanut stocks reported in commercial storage on March 31, 2011 totaled 2.87 billion pounds of equivalent farmer stock, compared with 3.15 billion pounds a year ago. This total includes 2.07 billion pounds of actual farmer stock. Shelled peanuts on hand totaled 747 million pounds of farmer stock equivalent. Roasting stock totaled 54.0 million pounds. Shelled peanut stocks totaled 561 million pounds of which 512 million pounds were edible grades and 49.2 million pounds were oil stock. Edible grade stocks by type included 101 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 389 million pounds of Runners, and 22.5 million pounds of Spanish. March millings totaled 439 million pounds. Millings by type were 84.2 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 347 million pounds of Runners, and 7.93 million pounds of Spanish.

PEANUT STOCKS

United States Stocks of Peanuts and Specified Products at Month's End, Crop of 2010-2011

Month Ending	Farmer Stock	Shelled Peanuts 1/	Roasting Stock (In Shell) 2/	Farmer Stock Equivalent	
				Shelled Peanuts	Total 3/
	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds
2010					
August	711,414	556,061	51,378	739,561	1,502,353
September	1,064,878	504,054	43,589	670,392	1,778,859
October	2,900,280	532,888	42,665	708,741	3,651,686
November	3,394,162	531,316	50,103	706,650	4,150,915
December	3,178,274	497,440	47,452	661,595	3,887,321
2011					
January	2,852,936	504,681	41,288	671,226	3,565,450
February	2,501,386	537,232	42,507	714,519	3,258,412
March	2,066,062	561,498	54,007	746,792	2,866,861
April					
May					
June					
July					
2010					
Mar	2,258,694	631,120	55,131	839,390	3,153,215

1/ Includes shelled edible grades, shelled oil stock, and shelled seed (untreated). 2/ Cleaned and unshelled. 3/ Farmer stock + roasting stock + (actual shelled peanuts X 1.33).

PEANUT PRICES

Peanuts: Prices and Marketings by Type and Week, United States: March 19, 2011 – April 16, 2011

Item and type	Week Ending				
	March 19, 2011	March 26, 2011	April 2, 2011	April 9, 2011	April 16, 2011
	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>
Average Price					
Runners	0.223	0.226	0.233	0.228	0.207
Spanish	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Valencias	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Virginias	0.260	0.257	0.257	0.267	0.251
All	0.231	0.234	0.237	0.233	0.223
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>
Marketings 1/					
Runners	100,915	57,695	71,246	157,153	28,208
Spanish	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	(D)
Valencias	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	(D)
Virginias	16,222	17,257	13,086	15,056	6,228
All	118,836	76,457	84,332	184,334	38,728

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (X) Not applicable.

